## UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20436

# MEMORANDUM ON PROPOSED TARIFF LEGISLATION of the 109<sup>th</sup> Congress <sup>1</sup>

[Date approved: October 12, 2005]<sup>2</sup>

Bill No. and sponsor: H.R. 1962 (Mr. Richard H. Baker of Louisiana).

Proponent name, location: Rhodia Inc., Cranbury, NJ

Other bills on product (109th Congress only): S. 1475.

**Nature of bill:** Temporary duty suspension through December 31, 2008.

Retroactive effect: None.

Suggested article description(s) for enactment (including appropriate HTS subheading(s)):

Cyclopentanone (CAS No. 120-92-3) (provided for in subheading 2914.29.50)

Check one:	$\underline{X}$ Same as that in bill as introduced
	Different from that in bill as introduced (see Technical comments section)

#### Product information, including uses/applications and source(s) of imports:

Cyclopentanone is a synthetic organic chemical that may be used as a raw material in the production of flavor and fragrance chemicals, as well as in the synthesis of other major chemical products, among them agrochemicals, pharmaceuticals, and various organic solvents. The proponent imports cyclopentanone from France.

### **Estimated effect on customs revenue:**

		HTS subheadir	ng: <u>2914.29.50</u>		
$\bigg\rangle$	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Col. 1-General rate of duty	4.8%	4.8%	4.8%	4.8%	4.8%
Estimated value <i>dutiable</i> imports	\$5,000,000	\$5,200,000	\$5,400,000	\$5,600,000	\$5,800,000
Customs revenue loss	\$240,000	\$249,600	\$259,200	\$268,800	\$278,400

Source of estimated dutiable import data: Industry estimates and Commission estimates.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Access to an electronic copy of this memorandum is available at <a href="http://usitc.gov/tata/hts/other/rel\_doc/bill\_reports/index.htm">http://usitc.gov/tata/hts/other/rel\_doc/bill\_reports/index.htm</a>.

## Contacts with domestic firms/organizations (including the proponent):

Name of firm/organization	Date contacted	US production of same or competitive product claimed?	Submission attached?	Opposition noted?
			(Yes/No)	
Rhodia Inc. (proponent) Rick Valentine Email: StevenV@PrestonGates.com	8/18/2005	No	No	No
Rhodia Inc. (proponent) Dominick Cangiana fax: 609-860-1841	8/26/2005	No	No	No
American Chemistry Council Jim O'Connor Fax: 703-741-6922	8/26/2005	No	No	No
Bayer Karen Niedermeyer Fax: 412-777-4740	8/26/2005	No	No	No
Bayer MaterialScience LLC Julie Von Egmund Fax: 202-737-8908	8/26/2005	No	No	No
Biddle Sawyer William Thonack Fax: 212-239-1089	8/26/2005	No	No	No
Ciba Specialty Chemicals John Deming Fax: 302-479-5152	8/26/2005	No	No	No
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E.I DuPont Nancy Johnson Fax: 202-728-3649	8/26/2005	No	No	No
E.I DuPont Elaine Olson Fax: 302-892-7343	8/26/2005	No	No	No
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**Technical comments:**<sup>3</sup> None.

The Commission may express an opinion on the HTS classification of a product to facilitate consideration of the bill. However, by law, only the U.S. Customs Service is authorized to issue a binding ruling on this matter. The Commission believes that the U.S. Customs Service should be consulted prior to enactment of the bill.

# H. R. 1962

To suspend temporarily the duty on cyclopentanone.

### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 28, 2005

Mr. Baker introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

## A BILL

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- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. CYCLOPENTANONE.
- 4 (a) In General.—Subchapter II of chapter 99 of
- 5 the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States is
- 6 amended by inserting in numerical sequence the following
- 7 new heading:

"	9902.34.41	Cyclopentanone (CAS No. 120–92–3) (provided for in subheading 2914.29.50)	Free	No change	No change	On or before	
						12/31/2008	".

- 8 (b) Effective Date.—The amendment made by
- 9 subsection (a) applies to goods entered, or withdrawn from

- 1 warehouse for consumption, on or after the 15th day after
- 2 the date of the enactment of this Act.

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